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GEORGE GOULD GIVES UP MO. P.

GOIT AROUND EARLY WITH A SURRENDER OF CONTROL.

Odds Were Too Great for a Fight. He Will Be Chairman. The New Control Hopes to Secure Howard Elliott for President. President to Live in St. Louis.

The fight for control of the Missouri Pacific Railroad system ended before the sound of the gong. On Tuesday George J. Gould's brokers, snuffing something doing, began anxiously inquiring for proxies. On the same day Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and many people associated with them, including one John D. Rockefeller, showed their hand by demanding through attorneys a list of stockholders, addresses and other data pertinent to fight preliminaries. Yesterday early Mr. Gould had Otto H. Kahn, the Kahn, Loeb partner, who was Harrison's most trusted adviser and most intimate friend, meet him at the offices of Mr. Gould's lawyers in Pine street. It was not long before papers were signed, sealed and delivered and the management of the system transferred.

A little while later Mr. Gould called upon Mr. Kahn at the offices of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., 52 William street, corner of Pine. What took place at the meeting is not known except for this little fragment:

"Good-by, Mr. Kahn," said Mr. Gould as he left. "Good-by, Mr. Gould," said Mr. Kahn.

Fragmentary, the conversation told us only the story of the transfer of control of a railroad company with authority over 10,000 miles of road, one of the three greatest railroad systems in the world from the standpoint of mileage. Moreover there was in it the tone of mutual respect. For Missouri Pacific was the crown jewel of the railroad diadem left by Jay Gould, had always been cherished by the family as the choicest of its railroad possessions, and both men understood that Mr. Gould would have been willing even to relinquish active control of it years ago but for purely sentimental reasons.

Mr. Gould's surrender of control was due to no lack of chivalry or courage. He found out that there were arrayed against him not only Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the syndicate which took over the Pearson-Vanquair holdings and John D. Rockefeller, but also the Deutsche Bank of Berlin, international banking houses representing practically all of the foreign stockholders and most of the Wall Street houses of any consequence. Moreover he could not certainly rely upon Mr. Russell Sage, who is represented on the Missouri Pacific board of directors by her brother, J. J. Slocum. It would not have been a fair fight if it had been so.

It turned out that the demand made by the lawyers of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. for disclosure of the stock books was either a bluff pure and simple or else a way of letting the Gould party know what it had to encounter. At any rate the lawyers made no effort to press their demand, though by the law of all the States and of the United States they had a right to see the books. Also the bankers and their associates had so many proxies that they needed no more.

Obviously the collection of proxies or arrangements for them began soon after the Gould party about a year ago, when Mr. Gould preferred to fill a vacancy on his board of directors with his son, Knickerbocker, rather than with a representative of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., though that firm had then undertaken to act as fiscal agent of his company. That the bankers demanded representation is doubtful, but there is no doubt that they expected it, for it is customary for railroads selling securities to include among their directors representatives of the banking houses through which the securities are sold and which guarantee the securities to their customers.

A marshaling of the anti-Gould forces was also hastened by negotiations which Mr. Gould undertook with the Union Pacific. The most important of these was the Union Pacific system and its bankers and representatives, Kuhn, Loeb & Co., together the most formidable negotiation was conducted with James J. Hill. The Burlington, which is owned jointly by Mr. Hill's Northern Pacific and Great Northern, was close to the Western Pacific, the new Pacific coast outlet of the Gould system. The Missouri Pacific controlled lines running to Gulf ports such as New Orleans and Galveston, and every railroad man appreciates the desirability of a Gulf outlet in anticipation of the opening of the Panama Canal.

There is reason to believe that Mr. Hill looked on the project of acquiring the Gould lines affectionately. But neither he nor any one else could see how the Gould party could be acquired without precipitating a fight which would have drawn in most of the railroad systems and big bankers of the country.

Wall Street licked its chops yesterday when it chewed over that morsel of information. Had the fight developed it would have been a fight worth seeing and impossible to forget. Kuhn, Loeb & Co., John D. Rockefeller, the Sage estate, the Deutsche Bank, most of the other international banking houses of consequence in this city, many other foreign banking houses, the resources of the Union Pacific and of the Standard Oil party, the syndicate of such institutions as the Central Trust Company and the National City Bank on one side, on the other James J. Hill, George F. Baker, Lord Strathcona, Lord Mountstephen, the Bank of Montreal, big English banking houses and possibly J. P. Morgan & Co. and the Chase National and the Guaranty Trust Company, the Bankers Trust Company and so on. Everybody realized that it would have been a fight overshadowing the fight for Northern Pacific.

For whatever reason the big fight was averted, the comparatively little contest yesterday summed down into this statement given out by Mr. Gould:

Respecting various rumors of a contest for control of the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, Mr. Gould states that there is and will be no controversy between

HIS MARK TO \$1,000,000 WILL.

John Lahey Was Too Poor for an Irish Boy to Get Any Schooling.

MINEOLA, L. I., Feb. 15.—The will of John Lahey, filed to-day, disposes of property valued at \$1,000,000. It is signed by making a cross, for Mr. Lahey had never learned to write his name. Mr. Lahey was born in County Tipperary, Ireland, in 1811. His father died when John was a small boy. The boy had no schooling. He came to this country in 1866 and took up truck farming in Flatlands. He was very successful and after a while he bought the farm which was owned by Levi P. Morton. After he had been in this country a few years he brought his mother and brother from the old country. When he began to prosper he married, and had ten children by his first wife. A second marriage increased the total number of children to twenty-one. Only nine of the family grew to maturity and all of the nine are living.

About twenty years ago Mr. Lahey sold his property in Flatlands for \$300,000 and bought land at Lakeville, which now adjoins the property of W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr. He gave much to the Catholic Church. Through his efforts the Catholic church at Flatlands was built. He and his brother bought the land and deeded it to the Religion of the diocese. There are nine children in the will, which is very voluminous. It leaves much of the property in trust for the children. When children of the first wife die the trusts of which they have been the beneficiaries are to go in equal shares to the children of the second wife, who receive all the residuary. A son, John Lahey, receives the homestead at Lakeville, he being the only one that remained with his father. Frederick Van Wyck and Henry D. Lott are executors and the Flatbush Trust Company is trustee. The will is dated November 28, 1908.

Mr. Lahey was of striking appearance. He was six feet four inches tall and very straight. He was noted for his wit and his kindly ways. He used to say that he made his money by dealing with honest men.

REMEMBER THE MAINE.

Houses Stricken About the Wreck in Havana Harbor. Memorial Speeches.

HAVANA, Feb. 15.—Americans in Havana and adjacent places gathered to-day for what will probably be the last time to hold memorial services on the thirteenth anniversary of the blowing up of the battleship Maine in the harbor. The Havana camp of Spanish War Veterans and the Daughters of the American Revolution managed the ceremonies, which were opened with prayer by Episcopal Bishop Knight of Cuba. Post Commander E. J. Gihon of the Spanish War Veterans then placed upon the mast of the sunken wreck a bronze tablet which will afterward be returned to the veterans' headquarters. The Cuban army band played appropriate American music.

Vice-President Zavala was the orator of the day. In his address he carefully avoided any discussion of theories in regard to the origin of the explosion. He referred to the event as one of those epoch making occurrences which suddenly and unforeseen change the whole lives of individuals or nations and in this case profoundly affected the history of three peoples.

Further Medina followed with a beautiful eulogy. He said pyramids and all other monuments crumble, but the monument of the spirit is everlasting and the memory of the dead of the Maine will be eternal.

The wreck was covered with garlands and wreaths of flowers and thousands of roses were cast upon the waters. Tugs carried the Americans to the wreck, where Capt. Ferguson, the director of the offer dam work now going on preparatory to raising the hull, had erected a large platform for the speakers on top of one of the big cylinders composing the offer dam.

Universal regret was expressed that no American warship was present to take part in the ceremonies and the Navy Department was criticized for the neglect. To-day was the first time that Cuba has officially participated in the observance of the anniversary.

The hope was universally expressed by those present at to-day's ceremony that Congress would promptly appropriate the money needed to finish the work of raising the Maine.

INSULTED U. S. CONSUL.

Second Complaint Against Customs Officers at Port Limon, Costa Rica.

PORT LIMON, Costa Rica, Feb. 15.—E. J. Hitchcock, United States Consul at Port Limon, was insulted by customs officials upon his arrival this week. He has made official report of the incident. He will not talk for publication as to details of the unpleasant occurrence, but it is said the case is similar to the affront offered the United States traveling consular agent, who was abused and roughly handled at the Custom House here when he protested that his typewriter should enter free.

Mr. Hitchcock is manager for Costa Rica of the United Fruit Company and has long been a resident here. Close acquaintance has made him popular, and even the local press, bitterly anti-American as it is, is denouncing the customs officials for their repeated insolent conduct to Americans.

In the first instance of the kind, the typewriter affair, the chief officer upheld his subordinate, refusing to accept the Consular Agent's word that the machine was old, even though the gentleman arrived with his rounds of inspection on a United States warship and was received at the pier by Chester Donaldson, the Consul here.

A smart rebuke from the capital rectified matters then. Hot Springs Moves to Stop Gambling.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Feb. 15.—Chief of Police Willey has declared war on gambling in this city. This afternoon after making a tour of all the gambling houses he stationed officers at the doors with instructions to allow no one to enter for the purpose of gambling. Chief Willey was ordered last night by Mayor Jodd and a committee of Aldermen to stop gambling at all hazards.

RAID WITH HYDRAULIC JACK

POOLROOM DOOR SCIENTIFICALLY BUSTED BY POLICE.

Axes Are Meddled When You Can Pump Up a Ten Ton Push Fifty Prisoners in Four Places. Sonny Smith and the Duke of Essex Street Pinned.

Scientific and simultaneous raids were made yesterday at 4:25 o'clock in the afternoon on four places supposed to be gambling houses and scattered between the Battery and West Forty-fourth street. Deputy Police Commissioner Flynn took personal charge of the raid at 3 State street, down near the Battery wall, and it was here that for the first time the police used a hydraulic jack to break in the ice-box doors. The jack, which although only about 18 inches high has a lifting capacity of ten tons, was an idea of Commissioner Flynn.

"There was class to that raid," one of the coppers said afterward. "No rough swinging of axes and things. The job might have been done in elbow length white kid gloves and pink satin garters."

It was something new on the gambling folk also to have all the raids come off at the same moment, thus precluding the possibility of a victim at one place jumping to a telephone and warning the fraternity at other points to "put an egg in their shoes and beat it," as has been done before. Also the warrants were made out in a new way. Instead of reading John Doe, Mr. Roe and so on, the warrants in each case, obtained from Magistrate McAdoo on information obtained by the suspected places, recently, were made out variously to John Sheetwriter, John Cashier, John Blackboard, John Telephone Operator, John Dealer, John Spinner, John Spinner 2d and thus on down the line.

The sleuths who had gone to the places for evidence even were mean enough to note the exits, gateways, windows, etc., and then made ground plans. Therefore Commissioner Flynn, with the hydraulic jack tucked away in his automobile, went forth with plans, specifications and everything else, almost up to the point of blue print.

The places raided besides the rooms in the old fashioned four story house at 3 State street were on the third floor of an office building at 48 Broad street, not far from the curb brokers' asphalt paddock; in a business building at 50 East Eighth street, and at an old fashioned brownstone three story and basement house at 120 West Forty-fourth street, between Broadway and Sixth avenue. The last two places, the police say, are supposed to have been run by Sonny Smith.

Down at 3 State street the stairway from the street up to the second floor on the outside of the building. Therefore the hydraulic press was hoisted up in full view of the street, which stopped and looked until State street was blocked. Commissioner Flynn led the way, with twelve policemen following. Lieut. McMillen of the Commissioner's staff being second in command.

The glass panels on the doors at the top of the outside steps were protected by heavy wire screens, but these were quickly ripped off, the glass was broken and Commissioner Flynn led the way into a cloak room. Here the police ran into a heavy steel door. Blocks of wood were placed around the base of the hydraulic press to brace it and a layer of cops on top of the blocks.

With the business end of the press planted against the door the cops got to work at the pump handle arrangement and pumped. At the fifteenth pump the door went in and so did the raiders. Inside was a tin can in which papers were smoldering. About 135 men were in the room. The Commissioner had warrants for seventeen and the raiders took them in. Also six other men whom the detectives knew by sight were taken to Headquarters. One man made a dash with a roulette wheel under his arm and tried to climb to the third story, but he and the wheel also were taken in tow.

At the same time at 48 Broad street Lieut. Collins and his squad had run into an icebox door on the third floor. Here the raiders got in by chopping a hole through the partition. They found racing sheets and a blackboard and about 100 men, most of whom seemed to be clerks who had run in from neighboring offices. The police wanted only the seventeen men for whom they had warrants. Two leather bags filled with half dollars and holding about \$600 were also found, which nobody claimed.

Who owns these? asked the lieutenant. Silence. The bags were taken to Headquarters.

Acting Captain Bourke led the raid at 50 East Eighth street. Here entry was gained by digging a hole in the partition wall. The police had five warrants and got three men. Blackboards, racing charts, faro and roulette layouts were found in the room surrounded by about 100 men.

Lieut. Rathgeber and his guard simultaneously were busting into 120 West Forty-fourth street, thereby emptying the Lamb Club and nearby hotels so the reserves of the West Forty-seventh street station had to be summoned to clear the street. The police here got through the vestibule door easily, but had to use the axes on the inner door.

They came upon about seventy men on the first floor, an elaborate double roulette wheel and other paraphernalia. Seven prisoners and the gambling material were taken. On the next floor were five workmen stringing wires who were scared, but upon showing their union cards they were allowed to go.

The seven prisoners taken here were brought down to Headquarters with the rest. Then the bondsmen came. One who was especially active was recognized by Detective Cain as Sonny Smith, whereupon Sonny was arrested on an old warrant for pool selling.

Joe Levy, the Duke of Essex Street, too early this morning and he was arrested for conduct tending to provoke a punch in the jaw.

NAVAL OFFICER A SUICIDE.

Commander Marble Died at Newport of Self-Inflicted Wound.

NEWPORT, Feb. 15.—From authoritative sources it was learned this evening that the death of Commander Frank Marble, U. S. N., of the naval war college staff, on Tuesday was due to suicide and not to apoplexy, as was at first reported. Commander Marble shot himself through the head with a .37 calibre revolver. What prompted his act is a mystery to his wife and to his associates on the college staff. He had been working hard at the college, and the belief is that his mind gave way and that in a moment of depression he shot himself.

It was 11:30 Monday night when the Commander left his quarters and went to the library of the college, presumably to finish some work. He did not return to his quarters, but still was not missed until early in the morning when Mrs. Marble went searching for him. She found him in a toilet off the library, lying on the floor in a pool of blood.

She notified other officers and Commander Marble, who was still alive, was taken to the naval hospital, but it was not known until after he had reached the hospital that he had shot himself.

It was learned this evening that Commander Marble had fired two shots. One of these grazed his head and the other passed completely through the skull.

In the hope of saving his life the surgeons at the Naval Hospital decided to operate to relieve the pressure on the brain, but Commander Marble was so weak that he died on the operating table.

There was a naval inquiry today in which Surgeon J. F. Leys, U. S. N., was senior officer, and the report of this board has been forwarded to Washington.

It was decided today to bury Commander Marble on Friday. Commander William A. Pratt of the War College staff has been detailed to command the funeral escort, to be made up of the station band, six companies of naval apprentices as infantry and a firing squad. Chaplain Frank Thompson will conduct the service. The honorary bearers will be Commander Frank K. Hill, Commander P. W. Houston, Commander Mark L. Bristol, Lieutenant-Commander C. T. Voegelinger, Major I. H. Moses and Medical Inspector O. Diehl.

KILLS HIMSELF AT ANNAPOLIS.

Boy's Ambition to Enter Naval Academy Drives Him to Insanity.

ANNAPOLIS, Feb. 15.—Fearing that he could not pass the examinations in April for admission to the Academy Benjamin H. Philson of Racine, Ohio, became insane to-day and committed suicide by shooting himself.

Young Philson was delicate but was ambitious to enter the navy. He continued to study desperately though warned by a physician to take more exercise. Philson used a revolver and fired three times, having previously entered a closet in his room to deaden the sound. The first two shots were high but the third entered the brain just above the nose.

He had locked the door, but schoolmates climbed over the transom and found his body.

IS THERE CHOLERA DANGER?

Italian Ministry Tells American Tourists to Disregard Warnings.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. ROME, Feb. 15.—A report that Dr. Geddings of Naples is warning Americans not to visit the Rome or Turin exhibitions owing to the danger of cholera has drawn an official denial from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which has cabled to the Italian Consuls in the United States to repudiate Dr. Geddings' warning.

S. V. HOFFMAN DISCHARGED.

Driver He Had a Street Row With Is Fined \$5 for Cruelty.

Samuel Verplanck Hoffman, president of the New York Historical Society, who was arrested on Tuesday night for carrying a pistol after a dispute with William Kraus, driver of a coal cart, was arraigned in the Yorkville police court yesterday. The driver was arraigned with him, their cases having been adjourned from the night court.

Kraus had the first hearing on a charge of cruelty to animals. Mr. Hoffman testified that he saw the driver beating the two horses with his whip because they did not get around in the snow quickly. Mr. Hoffman was about to enter his New York home, 135 East Twenty-first street, when he protested. The driver, he said, resented his interference and told him to go about his business. It was while they were engaged in a dispute that Policeman Lydig came up and arrested both.

Kraus testified that he did not beat the horses any more than was necessary to urge them to pull the load of coal. Magistrate O'Connor fined him \$5.

Mr. Hoffman then took his turn at the bar as a defendant on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon, to wit a loaded pistol. The driver, who had paid his fine, said that he saw a revolver in Mr. Hoffman's hand while they were disputing. Mr. Hoffman produced a permit issued by the Mayor of Morristown to carry a revolver.

"That permit is no good in this city," the Magistrate declared. Mr. Hoffman said that he did not carry fully a concealed weapon within the meaning of the law. The Magistrate took that view of the matter and discharged him.

200 MORE VOTE INDICTMENTS.

Danville, Ill., Grand Jury Gives Writ to Lawyers Other Than State Attorney.

DANVILLE, Ill., Feb. 15.—Nearly 200 indictments were ordered drawn to-day against alleged vote sellers by the Vermillion county Grand Jury.

Twenty or more of these will be drawn by outside lawyers under orders from the Grand Jury and without the knowledge of the State Attorney.

Bomb Wakes Brooklyn Neighborhood.

The explosion of a bomb tore out the front of the butcher store of Edward Bauer at 279 Livonia avenue, Brooklyn, early yesterday, and brought thinly clad women and children into the street from the building and surrounding tenements. The butcher and his family and other persons were thrown from their beds by the concussion. The damage is about \$500.

RUSSIA WILL THREATEN CHINA

OUT OF PATIENCE AND PREPARING MEANS OF COERCION.

Complains That Treaty of 1881 is Violated. Other Grievances Conference at War Ministry. China Desires Peace. Hint at a Big Territorial Grab.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN. ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 15.—The *Bourse Gazette* says that Russia's relations with China were the subject of an important conference at the Ministry of War yesterday. Russia's patience has been exhausted by China's persistent disregard of her treaties, and a vital pronouncement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is expected in a few days conveying to China Russia's sense of displeasure. The character of the pronouncement may be inferred from the fact that the Ministry of War has been consulted.

The *Gazette's* statement is the latest and most definite of the many recent press statements in reference to the unsatisfactory condition of Russo-Chinese relations which have existed since the signing of the Russo-Japanese Manchurian convention. Russia's chief complaint is China's alleged violation of the treaty of 1881 by hindering Russian merchants from selling tea within the Chinese frontiers and refusing to admit Russian Consuls to certain cities, but there are other disputed matters which the Russian Minister at Peking has long vainly tried to arrange with the Board of Foreign Affairs.

China repudiates Russia's contentions regarding the treaty of 1881, and asserts that she is acting strictly in accordance with its stipulations. She earnestly desires peace, for which reason she has been patient under trying conditions, but she complains that Russia's actions in Mongolia imply that she has designs on the integrity of her territory.

Russia's attitude now is that of a Power whose patience with a recalcitrant neighbor has been worn out and she is preparing means potent enough to obtain her wishes.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the *Times* says arrangements have been made for Russian troops to reoccupy the Ili region of Chinese Turkestan in consequence of China's persistent disregard of the treaty of 1881. Russia by that treaty agreed to evacuate the Ili region, which it occupied in 1871, in return for consular and commercial privileges there and in Mongolia and Manchuria.

From a military viewpoint the reoccupation of Ili presents no difficulties. The correspondent who takes Russia's view of the dispute says a recital of the specific violations of the treaty would occupy several columns. They have been aggravated by constant attempts to disregard other treaties.

It is assumed that Russia is not seeking a pretext to acquire territory.

GERMANY TO RECOVER MENACING.

Rebels' Committee Warned by Ministers. Needs Russia's Friendship.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN. LONDON, Feb. 16.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the *Telegraph* says a deep impression has been made here by the disclosure of an alarmist forecast which the German Ministers are alleged to have made in strict confidence to the Reichstag committee.

The words as published are to the effect that Germany would soon have to speak in menacing tones and would therefore need Russia's friendship. The correctness of the words is denied but the fact is admitted. Some members of the Reichstag committee must have divulged the secret.

ARRESTED FOR SHOPLIFTING.

Mrs. Cleveland and Mrs. Villandre Taken in the Same Store.

Two women were arrested yesterday afternoon for shoplifting in a Broadway department store within a short space of time. One of the women was Mrs. Elizabeth Cleveland, who said she was the wife of William N. Cleveland, a theatrical manager whose office is in the Knickerbocker Building at 1402 Broadway. The other was Mrs. Elizabeth Villandre of 40 Chatham street, Worcester, Mass. Both arrests were made by William McSherry, a special detective employed by the store.

McSherry said he saw Mrs. Cleveland at the jewelry counter and watched her for a while. He saw her drop a vanity box valued at \$1 into her handbag and start out of the store. Whereupon he arrested her. She was taken to the Tendorlin station, where she asked Lieut. Walsh to call her husband by the phone. Before Mr. Cleveland arrived the police examined the contents of her hand satchel and found three bank books showing a balance of \$18,000.

Mrs. Cleveland was greatly disturbed over the arrest. He offered the furniture in his home, and it was accepted as bail. Mrs. Cleveland will be arraigned this morning. McSherry said he also watched Mrs. Villandre as she stood at the jewelry counter and saw her pick up several trinkets and put them in her muff. He followed her out to the street and placed her under arrest. At the Tendorlin police station they found \$15 worth of imitation jewelry which came from the Broadway store. Besides that the detective arrested Mrs. Villandre had other stuff which she admitted taking from other stores.

She said that she had been stopping at the Young Women's Christian Association at 7 East Fifteenth street and that her sister, Mrs. La Croix, was at the Holland House, but requested that no word be sent to her. At the Holland House the clerk said that a Mrs. La Croix of Worcester had been there but left in the morning. Mrs. Villandre was taken to the night court last night.

GREAT BEAR SPRING WATER.

Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 15.—The entry of Justice Horace E. Deemer of the Iowa Supreme Court as a dark horse Senatorial candidate and his poll of 46 votes made the sensation today.

Senator Lafayette Young permitted his supporters to go to Deemer to demolish the claim that Young was responsible for the deadlock and delaying legislation. Kenyon received 47 votes. Eighty votes are necessary to elect.

RESTORE CITY HALL ROTUNDA

Mrs. Sage Offers the City \$25,000 to Undo the Improvements of Years.

Mrs. Russell Sage has sent a communication to Mayor Gaynor offering to spend \$25,000 for the restoration of the rotunda of the City Hall. Mrs. Sage bore the cost of making the alterations in the rotunda of the room should be the same as it was when the City Hall was first built. She is now anxious that the rotunda should be restored to its original appearance. Mayor Gaynor and Borough President McAneny have written to Mrs. Sage thanking her for her offer and saying that they would like to accept it on behalf of the city, but that under the Charter any alterations in the City Hall must first have the sanction of the Municipal Art Commission. Mrs. Sage's letter has been sent to the commission and it will be considered at a meeting of that body next Tuesday.

KILLED BY HATPIN JAR.

Man in Street Car Gets Wound in Check and Dies of Blood Poison.

BOSTON, Feb. 15.—Capt. Andrew England, one of the best known sea captains on the New England coast, is dead here as a result of a jab from a hatpin. Capt. England came to Boston five weeks ago from his home on Peaks Island, Me. With his wife he was riding in a crowded trolley car from the North Station when a woman standing beside him turned her head suddenly and was jabbed by a pin in the cheek. He thought nothing of it for two weeks or more and then his face began to swell and he was taken to the City Hospital, but nothing could be done that would save his life. He died there yesterday of blood poisoning. Capt. England was 67 years old.

A bill has been introduced in the Massachusetts Legislature to prevent wearing hatpins beyond a reasonable length and is now before a legislative committee.

BLOOD IN A PARIS DUEL.

Just a Few Honorable Drops—Muste Hall Dramatists in a Squabble.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN. PARIS, Feb. 15.—M. Rip and M. Fiers, two of the most prominent music hall revue writers in Paris, fought a duel to-day with swords, and contrary to the usual duelling custom here blood was shed. It was only to the extent of a few drops, but sufficient, however, to appease honor. The trouble was due to M. Fiers introducing M. Rip into his revue at the Folies Bergeres. At this M. Rip took offense, notwithstanding the fact that his own reviews owe their success to their unbridled personalities. He was especially angry because of M. Fiers' sarcasms, particularly his references to his (Rip's) avoidance of duels which the objects of his satire have unsuccessfully sought.

M. Fiers was much the better swordsman and he played with M. Rip through the thirteen bouts, disarming him thirteen times. Practically tiring of the sport M. Fiers at the close of the last bout scratched his opponent's hand and the seconds declared the duel ended.

AMATEUR BANK ON THE PIER.

Taxicab Company Finds Cash to Pay a Lot of Duties With.

A score of passengers by the Royal Mail liner Clyde, in yesterday from Colon and the West Indies, were unaware that they could not bring in curios and souvenirs, and include them in the \$100 worth of personal baggage that is allowed to every passenger. A revenue decision makes the rule apply solely to personal apparel. Most of the Clyde's passengers did not have cash to pay the duty on their foreign purchases and the enterprising agent of a taxicab company on the pier found it out. He said he would furnish the cash if the passengers would take his taxicabs to their hotels and get their checks cashed. They promised to do so and the duties were paid and the souvenirs released.

STREETS TO BE FLUSHED.

Board of Estimate Will Approve \$100,000 for Squeegees.

The application of Street Cleaning Commissioner Edwards to the Board of Estimate for \$100,000 for flushing machines will be granted by the board at its meeting to-day. It is likely that when the matter is brought up the purchase will be opposed by representatives of the street cleaners, but it is understood that the members of the board will authorize Commissioner Edwards to go ahead and buy 100 "squeegees" as the flushing machines are called. The machines spray the streets with water by compressed air power.

PROF. JENKS'S SON ON TRIAL.

He Is Charged With Participating in the Cornell Student Rioting on February 4.

IITHACA, Feb. 15.—Benjamin I. Jenks, son of the Cornell professor, who was arrested by the local police for participating in the student rioting of February 4, was put on trial to-day, but at the close of the people's case his counsel secured an adjournment until February 23 to enable him to get witnesses for the defence. Two citizens swore to having heard Jenks bark like a dog and crow like a rooster in the Lyceum at the performance of "Three Weeks," and they also said that they saw Jenks throw missiles at the performers. Several policemen testified that he was disorderly, noisy and vicious.

Jenks claims that the citizens are mistaken in their man and that the man they referred to was another student sitting in another part of the hall. Jenks also claims that he can prove that he was not in the party that rioted at the Happy Hour, but that he had gone in another direction. Jenks is the son of Jeremiah W. Jenks, the well known Cornell professor and economist, and he was named by the police as one of the ringleaders of the riot.

Dark Horse Leads for Iowa Senatorship.

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DEWEY'S PORT WINE AND OLIVE OIL.

Special Train Service from New York to New Orleans. The train leaves New York at 11:15 P. M. and New Orleans at 11:15 A. M. on Sunday.

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